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Divisional Application of U.S. Serial No. 09/640,144 Examiner E. Enad

Inventors: Masafumi Sakamoto Group Art Unit 2834

Title: MAGNET TYPE STEPPING MOTOR

Attorney Docket: 134.137 Customer No. 023907

REQUEST FOR FILING A DIVISIONAL APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This is a request for filing a divisional application under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) of pending prior application Serial No. 09/640,144, filed August 16, 2000, allowed April 6, 2001, entitled STEPPING MOTOR, which is a divisional application of Serial No. 09/437,020, filed on November 9, 1999, now U.S. Patent No. 6,121,712, issued September 19, 2000, which is a divisional application of U.S. Serial No. 09/056,190, filed April 6, 1998, now U.S. Patent No. 6,028,377, issued February 22, 2000.

1. Enclosed is a patent application including 36 pages of specification, 19 claims, and an Abstract.
2. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees in connection with this or any other paper which may be required or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 14-1080.
3. A check in the amount of \$710 in payment of the filing fee by a large entity is enclosed.
4. Cancel in this application original claims 7-19 of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. (At least one independent claim must be retained for filing purposes.)

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5. Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:
"This application is a continuation, division of application Serial No. 09/640,144, filed August 16, 2000, allowed April 6, 2001, which is a divisional application of Serial No. 09/437,020, filed November 9, 1999, now U.S. Patent No. 6,121,712, issued September 19, 2000, which is a divisional application of U.S. Serial No. 09/056,190, filed April 6, 1998, now U.S. Patent No. 6,028,377, issued February 22, 2000.

6. Transfer the drawings from the pending prior application to this application and abandon said prior application as of the filing date accorded this application. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed for filing in the prior application. (May only be used if signed by person authorized by 37 CFR §1.138 and before payment of issue fee.)

7. New formal drawings are enclosed.

8. Priority of application Serial No: 09/056,190, filed on April 6, 1998, now U.S. Patent No. 6,028,377, issued February 22, 2000, is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §120.

9. The certified copy of the foreign priority document, Japanese application No. 102422/97, filed April 7, 1997, has been filed in prior application Serial No. 09/056,190.

10. A preliminary amendment is enclosed.

11. The prior application is assigned of record from the inventors to Japan Servo Co., Ltd. and is recorded in Reel 9107, Frame 0506 on April 6, 1998.

12. A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27.
 is enclosed.
 was filed in prior application Serial No. _____ and such status is still proper and desired (37 CFR 1.26(a)).

13. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) pertaining to patent application processing fees, Applicant requests an extension of time from _____ to _____ in which to respond to the Office Action dated _____. Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$_____ in payment of the \$_____ fee for filing a response within the _____ month of a shortened statutory period for response pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.17.

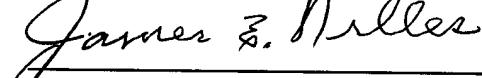
14. Also enclosed: Information Disclosure Statement

15. The power of attorney in the prior application is to: James E. Nilles, Reg. No. 16,663; Andrew J. Nilles, Reg. No. 31,786; James F. Boyle, Reg. No. 33,653; Timothy E. Newholm, Reg. No. 34,400.

16. The power of attorney appears in the original papers in the prior application, a copy of which is enclosed.
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